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1. ECON/COM MIN CALLED ON MIYAZAKI (DG, ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUREAU,

FONOFF) FEB 1 TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON ENERGY CONFERENCE CONTAINED REFTEL. MIYAZAKI APPRECIATIVE OF INFORMATION, WHICH HE SAID VERY TIMELY IN VIEW HIS MEETING WITH FONMIN OHIRA FOLLOWING MORNING FOR BREIFING ON CONFERENCE. MIYAZAKI NOTED THAT AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA EXPECTED MEET WITH UNDER SECRETARY DONALDSON FEB 4, AT WHICH TIME YASUKAWA EXPECTED TO PROVIDE FURTHER GOJ VIEWS ON CONFERENCE. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE PROMPT REPORT ON YASUKAWA-DONALDSON MEETING.

2. IN VIEW YASUKAWA'S FORTHCOMING CONVERSATION WITH DONALDSON WHILE MIYAZAKI DECLINED COMMENT ON ECON/COM MIN'S PRESENTATION, HE DID RAISE TWO ISSUES:

(A) WITH REFERENCE TO AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY OF PROPOSED WORKING GROUPS AND ATTENDANCE AT GROUPS, HE REITERATED THAT IN JAPAN MOF'S COMPETENCE DOES NOT EXTEND TO ENTIRE QUESTION OF INCENTIVES TO PRODUCERS TO INCREASE OIL PRODUCTION, E.G. TECHNICAL COOPERATION IS RESPONSIBILITY OF FOREIGN OFFICE. FOR THAT REASON HE SUGGESTED THAT AGREEMENT BE REACHED MERELY ON AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH WORKING GROUP. GROUPS WOULD THEN BE DESIGNATED BY LETTER (A), (B), ETC., WITH EACH COUNTRY DECIDING ON ATTENDANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS OWN PARTICULAR BUREAUCRATIC SET-UP.

(B) WHILE RECOGNIZING US DISINCLINATION TO INSERT AGENDA ITEM ON CONSUMER/PRODUCER COOPERATION, MIYAZAKI EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE THAT WORDING OF FORMAL AGENDA, WHICH WILL PROBABLY LEAK TO PRODUCERS AT SOME STAGE, BE SUCH THAT IT GIVES FLAVOR OF CONCILIATORY ATTITUDE TOWARD PRODUCERS. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THIS WAS NOT SUBSTANTIVE BUT RATHER PRESENTATIONAL CONCERN. SHOESMITH

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